

A circular black and white stamp. The outer ring contains the text "OIPER 177" at the top and "PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE" at the bottom. In the center, the date "JAN 07 2002" is stamped. There is a dark, irregular mark overlapping the top right of the stamp.

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated October 2, 2001, the Examiner is respectfully requested to enter and consider the following amendments and remarks in the above-identified application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please substitute the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 4 and ending at line 8.

A marked-up copy of this paragraph, showing the changes made thereto, is attached.